

## **PROCLAMATION**

## UNITE TO END GENDER BASED VIOLENCE November 25 – December 10, 2018

WHEREAS:

the United Nations has again called for an international campaign – 16 days of activism against gender-based violence - running from November 25, 2018 (International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women) to December 10, 2018 (Human Rights Day); and

WHEREAS:

violence against women is pervasive around the world, including

Canada; and

WHEREAS:

violence against women takes many forms including physical, emotional, and sexual violence; deprivation; bullying; discrimination and harassment; neglect of older women; child marriages, female genital mutilation; sexual violence against women in conflict zones;

and

WHEREAS:

in Canada, violence against women is disproportionally experienced by

Indigenous women; and

WHEREAS:

by creating worldwide awareness and calling on governments to match adequate and sustained resources to their political commitments: we

will find solutions to end gender-based violence.

NOW THEREFORE I, Leonard Krog, Mayor of the City of Nanaimo, do hereby proclaim that November 25 - December 10, 2018 be known as:

## UNITE TO END GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

in the City of Nanaimo, and the traditional territories of the Snyneymuxw First Nation and urge all residents of Nanaimo to participate in the United Nations campaign "Orange The World" to symbolize a brighter future.

Leonard Krog MAYOR

DATED THIS 23RD DAY OF NOVEMBER 2018